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A JAPANESE DINNER.

MID-DAY EATING IN THE ANTIPODES.

The Mysterious Delicacies Served by Charming Little Handmaidens in the Most Recherche Oriental Style.

[Tokio (Japan) cor. N. Y. Tribune.]

Outside the garden was festooned with Chinese lanterns which softly illumined its dark recesses. A panel drawn aside at the foot of the room opened upon the veranda, which served admirably for a stage on which three small children, two of whom were girls, performed during the meal a touching drama. Hidden from view was a musician who played upon the Samisen, a three-stringed instrument as old as the sixteenth century, played upon banjo-wise with the fingers.

When we took our seats around the festive board the first course was already served. Before each guest was placed a little lacquered tray, raised three or four inches from the ground. On it was a covered porcelain bowl, containing a small quantity of boiled rice. A second covered bowl of lacquer held some clear fish soup, which I made bold to eat, and found uncommonly good. As there were only chopsticks to eat the rice, I said I rarely ate rice at this time of day, and passed it by. Nor did I care about the contents of the third bowl, which contained some mysterious looking vegetables. Whilst we were discussing or regarding these delicacies, there entered a bevy of pretty serving girls bearing lacquered cups for each guest and a little blue jar, which I subsequently discovered contained sake. It was slightly mulled, the small jars being replenished from a silver kettle. Each guest has his appointed handmaid. Mine was exceedingly pretty, and a great addition to the picture as she gracefully knelt at the other side of the tray, watchful for opportunity to do service. As there was nothing particular to do she filled up the time by smiling on me in the friendliest manner. I smiled back, and we got on very well together without articulate speech.

Presently the little handmaiden rose, left the room, and with the others returned, carrying a covered vessel of pure white wood. This was full of rice, with which she refilled the empty rice bowls, whilst another maiden, nearly as pretty, removed the bowls of clear soup, a third replacing them with lacquer bowls, containing stewed wild ducks, raw fish, white cakes of bean paste, and a little bowl of pickles, which may have been savory to the taste, but were certainly unpleasant to the nose. After awhile my little handmaid brought up another bowl containing a fresh kind of soup. Whilst I cautiously tasted this she went out again and brought in some fried fish on a plate, with a little ginger and pickled vegetables in a small porcelain bowl. The fish, I ascertained, was tai, a kind of plaice, and it is the correct thing to eat it with ginger. Sixthly, she brought another plate of fish stewed in soy, with a plate of lily bulbs and another of chestnuts. Close on her heels came a girl bearing the wine kettle, this time quite hot. Having had sufficient sake in the cooler state, I declined a further supply, whereupon another kettle was brought. I said I would take some of that, not knowing the contents but earnest in search of knowledge. It turned out to be plain hot water. It seems to be an accepted doctrine among the Japanese gourmands that at this stage of the feast "something hot" must be taken. For those who like it there is sake. Those who do not care for sake gurgle down hot water. I did not care for my supply now I had it, but the indefatigable handmaid placed on my tray, as others had served to them, a cup of hot water, with leaves of an aromatic plant floating on it, and doing their best to counteract the influence of the pickled vegetables.

Here there was a pause. Cigarettes were served round, and some of the guests who had squatted on the floor through the dinner took the opportunity of stretching their limbs by strolling about the room and neighboring apartments. I thought we had finished dinner, but there remained yet another course. All the dishes had been removed, and now came a tray bountifully supplied with plates of bean jelly, rice cake and other toothsome things. There were also grapes, of which Japan grows some excellent varieties and hopes shortly to do better. There was also a toothpick but I did not feel as if I wanted one. This course disposed of, the hostess rose and conducted us to another room, where tea is usually served. But our host knew the weakness of the European. An inch of fish perilously conveyed to the mouth with chop sticks, a mouthful of soup, and a sniff of greens kept too long in salt water, are not filling, and we were unfeignedly glad to discover in place of the tea tray a table plentifully set forth with a good British dinner.

SEA WALLS OF GREEN GRASS.

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[Pollard Oregonian.]

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9.10 "	9.10 "	40	Sumas	2.35 "	2.35 "
9.55 "	9.55 "	49	Harrison River	1.30 "	1.30 "
10.35 "	10.35 "	58	Agassiz	12.50 "	12.50 "
11.30 "	11.30 "	68	Kitty Creek	12.10 "	12.40 "
12.05 P.M.	12.05 P.M.	76	Hope	11.35 A.M.	11.35 A.M.
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1.00 "	1.00 "	90	Emory	10.45 "	10.45 "
1.05 "	1.05 "	90	Junction	10.35 "	10.35 "
	2.30 "		Lytton	10.00 "	10.00 "
	3.50 "	102	Spuzzum	8.10 "	8.10 "
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	6.40 "	136	Cisco	5.50 "	5.50 "
	7.15 "	144	Lytton	5.25 "	5.25 "
	7.40 "	150	Gladwin	5.00 "	5.00 "
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6 00	157			and Portland	6 30	Stage
9 27	"	66	Ar.	Hood River Lv	4 12	"
10 00	"		Ar.	Dallas Lv	4 00	"
11 00	"	98	Lv.	Dallas Ar	3 40	"
2 55 AM	"	187	Lv.	Umatilla Lv	10 35 PM	"
4 20	"	202	Ar.	Wallula Junction Lv	9 20	"
4 40	"	205	Lv.	Wallula Junction Ar	8 50	"
6 55	"	214		Palouse Junction	6 25	"
10 00	"	245	Ar.	Lewiston Lv	3 15	"
11 [illegible]	"	256		Colfax	1 20	"
12 15 PM	"			Spokane Falls	1 00	"
1 25	"	282		Rathdrum	11 37 AM	"
10 AM	"			Missoula	1 00	"
3 30	"	333		Garrison	9 10 PM	"
8 30	"	378	Ar.	Helena Lv	4 15	"
8 50	"	409	Lv.	Helena Ar	3 45	"
1 30 PM	"	455		Boseman	1 55	"
3 00	"	505		Billings	11 15 PM	"
3 [illegible]	"	526		Bismarck	11 [illegible]	8d
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10	"	1630		Brainerd	9 45 PM	"
11 00 PM	4th	1901	Ar.	St. Paul Lv	4 00	"

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	p.m.	p.m.	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.
Ar. St. Thomas	*11.30	*11.45	*3.25	*10.05	11.20
	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Ar. Toronto (via C. V. R.)	*9.00	*9.20	*9.20	*3.40	*6.35
	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Ar. Niagra Falls	*2.30	*2.50	*2.55	*1.50	*3.20
	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
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A LITTLE building on the Cote des Neiges road, near Montreal, wherein VAUDREUIL signed the capitulation of Montreal to the English, has recently been destroyed by fire.

THE *Week*, of Toronto, one of our most valuable exchanges, to which we are often indebted for interesting quotations on current political and social topics, has entered upon its second year with very encouraging prospects. Its early difficulties have been surmounted and it is now firmly established.

OTTAWA, says the *Free Press*, has a maiden lady 103 years old, whose long years must be a lasting rebuke to those misguided people who claim that celibacy does not contribute to human happiness and longevity! What is more, this lady boasts that she only walked with one young man after dark in her life. Knowing the Ottawa young men, we can commend the aged lady's judgment and regard for the proprieties.

SOME person, evidently a political crank, has suggested that Canada ask the Imperial Government to transfer Jamaica to the United States, on condition that the Americans give to the Dominion a part of New York state, and as much of Maine as will square Canada. At the same time he might recommend the reacquisition of that portion of territory to the south, which was lost to us through the laziness or stupidity of the salmon in the Columbia. Of course our neighbors would hand it over with their accustomed alacrity.

THE great WASHINGTON monument, the capstone of which has been set in place a week or more, is the most wonderful result extant of modern engineering skill. It is the highest structure erected by human hands in the world, and measures from pedestal to top a clean five hundred and fifty feet. The following figures will assist one to realize the immense altitude:

	Feet.
The Cologne Cathedral spires are	505
The Pyramid of Cheops	450
St. Peter's Church at Rome	438
St. Isaac's Cathedral, St. Petersburgh	419
St. Paul's Cathedral, London	500
The Washington Monument	555

A NEW publication in the Madras presidency—the Calicut *Observer*—sets an example of ingenuous frankness and guileless innocence which might be imitated by some of the provincial papers with some advantage to their readers. The last columns of the paper was left completely blank with the exception of the following: "This is only the beginning of our paper. We were not sure how much matter was required to fill up our paper, and thinking we had sufficient we did not exert ourselves to get more. We therefore beg our readers will excuse us this time for the space left blank, and we hope to make ample amends for the future."

MR. FAWCETT, the late universally regretted Postmaster-General of England, though deprived of sight, always had a crowd of short-sighted members around him in the House, to whom he would tell the names of those who were speaking, as he knew all the members by their voices, even those who rarely took part in debate. When answering a question too, he would quote from official documents as freely as though he were reading them. MR. SHAW LEFEVRE, who succeeds him in the office, is a son of SIR JOHN LEFEVRE, and a nephew of LORD EVERSLEY, who was for so many years the popular Speaker of the House of Commons, and who, at the age of 91, retains his freshness unbroken by gout or years of toil.

THE growing importance of the South American and New Zealand frozen meat business is seen from the Board of Trade returns for October. No fewer than 22,523 carcasses were received from New Zealand and 13,959 from the River Plate in that month, all sold at a fair profit, in spite of the heavy expense incidental to its delivery, and the trade is likely to continue, at any rate cold storage has been leased for it in London and elsewhere. By the agricultural returns it appears that Canada sent to England during October more live stock than any other country. The figures are 11,528 oxen and bulls; 7,709 sheep and lambs, as against 8,017 oxen and bulls, and 14,278 sheep and lambs in October, 1883.

NEGROES VS. CHINAMEN.

The Portland News discusses the probability of the negroes of the south eventually supplanting the Chinese on the Pacific Coast, and directs attention to a movement now on foot in California. MESSRS. HAGOIN and TEVIS, capitalists, imported three hundred colored people, giving them moderate wages, and supplying them with comfortable houses to live in, and with board. Their estates in the Kern valley are very large, and the opportunities presented the colored men for the improvement of their condition have made a most favorable impression upon them. The experiment has proven so satisfactory to both parties that it is to be made on a much larger scale, arrangements being consummated for the importation of eleven hundred more. Other capitalists are also preparing to engage in the work of immigration, and it is asserted that ten thousand colored people will be transported to California, if they can be persuaded to move. These people, it is confidently anticipated, will supplant the Chinese, and solve the labor question of the Pacific Coast.

We quite agree with the Portland journal that the substitution of the negro for the Chinaman is desirable, and in no other city is there to be found more convincing proof of the superiority of the former over the latter than in Victoria. Our negro population is comparatively numerous; they are intelligent and enterprising, and have fully identified themselves with the business and politics of the city, and have adopted the customs, habits and social characteristics of the white people. As a race they strive to imitate the manner of living, and readily adopt the religious beliefs of the Anglo-Saxon. The distinction between the Americanized African and the uncivilized Chinaman is very marked. The one has come to stay, to make this city his home, to live and die here; the other is but a bird of passage, with an absorbing ambition to make money, honestly or dishonestly, and a firm determination to go back to China and spend it. The Celestials never will, they never can, assimilate with the whites; the negroes, however, go as far in that direction as the social barrier of color will permit, and it is not their fault if the assimilation is not complete. But the practicability of the scheme is open to grave doubt. The dispositions and industrial habits of the two people are dissimilar—they do not run in the same channel. Nevertheless, the experiment will be watched with much interest, and if it is a success in California it might, with the "moral support" a little restrictive legislation, be found practicable in British Columbia.

BRITAIN AT BERLIN.

Some anti-British papers, observes the Ottawa *Free Press*, which were chuckling over Britain's coming humiliation at the Berlin conference, and telling their constituents that it was a warning to Britain not to continue grabbing all the unclaimed territory in the world, must now learn that their expectations have been unrealized. Instead of Britain getting the worst of it, she seems to have the whip hand. Her views and interests have so far prevailed. All the territory recently gobbled up by France, has actually been placed under the International Association's regime, but not an inch of territory claimed by Britain has been touched. The empire's interests are to-day guarded by a government which will do justice but not submit to injustice. Britain stands up firmly in the congress of nations and declares that the Niger river, over which the Berlin conference claimed jurisdiction, is under British protection, and lies within British territory. Though willing to throw the river open to the world's commerce and trade, yet she cannot permit any other nation to preserve order or exercise any jurisdiction whatever thereon. In taking this determined stand, instead of Britain being isolated and weak, she stands firm and has allies. Italy and Portugal support her claims openly, and probably America secretly. So strong is her position that it is said her determination not to yield in regard to her own claims imperils the action of the congress respecting the Congo. A country which has this influence can scarcely be the contemptible and decrepit power so many Fenian-American and European newspapers represent her as being.

THE following story, illustrating the striking similarity between the late LORD BEACONSFIELD and SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD, is going the rounds: "Quite a sensation was caused in the brilliantly-lighted drawing-room of a well-known leader of English political society. She had gathered around her a crowd of shining lights of the conservative world, when just upon midnight, when the hum of conversation was at its highest, there was a sudden and mysterious silence. All looked up to see the cause, when they beheld near the door an old gentleman with wrinkled face, having one gray curl over the forehead, eyeglass in hand, ogling the crowd. The look, the gait, the curl, the attitude, the stoop, the eyeglass—all spoke of BENJAMIN DISRAELI, first and last EARL OF BEACONSFIELD. The awe-struck silence continued for several seconds, and many thought for the moment that the shade of the departed premier had come back to set matters right in the conservative camp. But when the old gentleman mixed with the crowd, and was introduced to one and another, it was found that he was no wraith, but the real flesh and blood of SIR JOHN MACDONALD, the Canadian Premier, who is the exact counterpart of the late Earl, and by his manner, dress, etc., loses no opportunity of enforcing the likeness."

THE MAYORALTY

The requisition presented to Mr. R. P. Rithet, asking him to become a candidate for the position of mayor, has met, as we hoped it would, with an affirmative response, and that gentleman is now formally before the electors. In his reply to the requisition—both of which are to be found in our advertising columns—he lays down as the first and most important plank in his platform, an efficient and economical scheme of drainage. This is, without any doubt, the leading question of the hour. Upon the necessity for some improved system of drainage, there cannot be, and we venture to say there does not exist, two opinions in the city. As to which is the best system and all things considered the most economical may, for the time, be left in the hands of the mayor and council, especially as the question must again be relegated to the electors for final decision. He also declares himself in favor of an equitable revision of the assessment roll. This is absolutely and imperatively necessary, in view of the large expenditure that must be incurred for drainage, if a fair and equitable proportion of taxation is to be levied according to the actual values of real properties. Mr. Rithet being himself a very large property owner, and necessarily having the best interests of the city at heart, may be depended upon to use his best endeavors in this direction. These are the two strong planks in Mr. Rithet's platform. The others, promising a reform of the electric light service and an improvement of the water supply, are of minor financial proportions, but of scarcely less interest to our citizens as a whole. With the publication of this card of acceptance, the contest has been begun. The electors will carefully consider the claims and fitness of the various candidates—there promises to be a liberal crop of them—and give their verdict accordingly. The best interests of Victoria require that that verdict should be in favor of men of standing, of character, and of influence, so that our fair city may take the position she is designed to occupy, and now awaiting her in the near future.

UTILIZATION OF SEWAGE.

As every particle of information bearing on the question of sewage will be of interest to our citizens, at the present juncture, we give below a condensation of a report of what has recently been effected in the ancient market town of Shrewsbury, England. Our authority is *Chamber's Journal* of December 1st, 1884:—

"To many large and growing towns, the disposal of sewage is becoming a serious matter, and while several large towns are just now contemplating the expenditure of very large sums for the purpose of getting rid of it, a company has been formed and works have been erected at Shrewsbury with a view of utilizing this valuable waste material. The process by which this company profess to be able, without creating a nuisance, (1) To purify the sewage so that the effluent water is sufficiently pure to be admitted into any river, within the requirements of the River's Pollution Prevention Act, and (2) to produce 'native guano,' is very simple. As the sewage enters the works, clay, charcoal and blood are added, as deodorisers; and after thorough mixing, a solution of sulphate of alumina is added, by which the dissolved and suspended impurities are quickly precipitated in one or other of the settling tanks, from the fourth of which the water runs without further treatment into the river. Dr. Wallace reports that the sewage as it enters the works contains 37·5 per cent. of suspended organic and inorganic matter, but that in the effluent water there were only the merest traces of either. By experiment it has been found that in this water fish will live for months. The deposit is then removed from the tank, and, by means of pressure and artificial heat, is deprived of its moisture, till it obtains the consistency and appearance of dry earth. It is then ready for market, and is in such demand, that as yet the company are unable to overtake all orders, though seventy shillings per ton is charged."

THE law lords of the Privy Council have vetoed another act of the Quebec Legislature—the Stamp Act of 1880. The act embraced a variety of subjects: law papers, instruments affecting real estate, and promissory notes. The Court of Appeal had held the act to be constitutional but the Supreme Court had given an adverse decision, and remarkable to relate for once the first legal minds of Canada are in accord with the big wigs of the Privy Council. The question at issue was whether the Stamp Act tax is an indirect or direct one. At the time the tax is affixed to papers used in a legal contestation it is impossible to say who will pay it. A stamp on a promissory note is open to the objection of being a tax on commerce. A stamp on a mortgage would be affixed by the attorney for the mortagee, but it would be paid for by the mortgagor. In this way the tax becomes indirect, and an indirect tax the local legislatures have no authority wha ever to levy.

NEW TO-DAY.

NOTICE.

A PUBLIC MEETING

Will be held at Harmony Hall on

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In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

Drake & Jackson, Plaintiffs, and the Corporation of the City of Victoria, Defendant.

IN OBEDIENCE TO A WRIT OF FIERI Facias, issued out of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, at Victoria, on the 27th day of November, 1884, and to me directed in the above named suit, for the sum of $707.10, together with interest upon the said sum at the rate of twelve per centum per annum, from the 8th day of November, 1884, besides Sheriff's fees and poundage, I have seized and will sell by Auction at the salesroom of G. Byrnes, on Fort and Langley streets, in the City of Victoria, on Friday, the 19th day of December, 1884, at 11 o'clock a. m., the undermentioned property or sufficient thereof to satisfy the judgment debt and costs in this action, viz:—

One California safe, (combination lock lettered), together with contents, 1 small iron safe, manufactured by George Price, Wolverhampton, and stand, 3 book cases, 2 writing desks, 4 tables, 1 letter press and table, 3 clocks, 1 small cupboard, Corporation Seal and stand, 2 large arm chairs and 3 tables, 2 box stoves and pipe, window blinds, 2 desks, 29 cane seat chairs, Cocoa matting, 12 wooden benches, &c., &c.

—ALSO—

One rock crusher, 1 span heavy team horses, 1 double wagon, 2 dump carts, 1 set of double harness, 3 sets cart harness, and a quantity of hay and sundry other articles.

JAS. E. McMILLAN, Sheriff.

VICTORIA, B. C., 15th December, 1884.

Public School Examination.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE half-yearly public examination of the Victoria Public Schools will take place as follows:

Johnson Street Ward School, on the morning of the 17th inst.

James Bay Ward School, on the afternoon of the 17th inst.

The High School, and the Girls' and Boys' departments of the Central School, in the morning and afternoon of the 18th inst.

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REQUISITION.

TO R. P. RITHET, ESQ.,

SIR:—We, the undersigned rate-payers of Victoria, having confidence in your ability and fitness for the position, request your permission to place you in nomination as Mayor for the ensuing year, and we pledge ourselves to use our best endeavors to secure your election:

Wm C Ward	J A Grahame
Rod'k Finlayson	C E Redfern
H W T Drake	J H Matthews
Henry Short,	A McLean
W D McKillican	Wm Denny
Robt Dunsmuir	Henry Waller
Morrie Moss	A R Francis
A P Braggs	D M Roberts
W G Pinder	Thos C Nuttall
A W Jones	H F Heisterman
W W Malachi	Henry E Crossdaile
Robt Ward	Wm Charles
D W Higgins	W B Smallfield
J Roland Hett	Wm Hammond
A J Smith	D R Harris
T N Hibben	John Finlayson
Thos Carrington	Joseph Hunter
C E Perry	M G Staples
G H Burns	David Day
A R Munro	W T Drake
Chas S Jones	F S Barnard
Geo Gillespie	Thos Allsopp
J Keith Wilson	J Leidell
Henry Rhodes	A A Green
E Buschamp	D E Campbell
Jno Crowther	Jas Burns
Simon Leiser	H Bornstein
C W B Thompson	J C Bales
E C Neufelder	Dixi H Ross
L Goodacre	John Partridge
James Johns	H J Hartnell
Jas Larman	J Guttman
E Metcalfe	Jesse Brown
J D Warren	Henry Saunders
Robt Elder	W J Jeffree
Alex Munro	T Labbe
Jas L Raymur	Sidney J Pitts
E A McQuade	Joshua Davies
Wm Heathorn	Wm Wilson
Hedon & Hartnagel	C Dawson
Edwd Mallandaine	D Simpson
G Cruickshank	John Grant
J Hawkins	J C Flett
James Flett	J C Leask
Paul Strahle	U H Robbins
Chas P Todd	H Van Volkenburgh
W Shears	T H Tye
A Ofner	J A T Caton
Jas Crawford	Wm Wilson
H F Thompson	Alex H Gray
P Adams	C Morton
Edgar Marvin	S D Nesbitt
M Sellick	N T Johnson
Francis Page	Jas A Fraser
John Ash	Edwd White
Jas Hutcheson	Henry Young
H Brown	M W Waitt
S F Backer	Thos Gaiger
D Green	W G Lange
Lewis Lewis	H D Saunders
Wm McKoon	John Nicholles
R Lippsett	Joseph Wilson
J H Todd	H L Jones
Geo W Haynes	M T Johnson
G H Lange	Geo Stetts

REPLY.

TO THE RATEPAYERS SIGNING ABOVE REQUISITION:—

GENTLEMEN:—I have to thank you for your Requisition to allow myself to be placed in nomination for Mayor at the approaching election.

The large number of names, which represent all classes of the community, has induced me to comply with the request, and in doing so, I consider it to be part of my duty to express my views briefly upon the more important questions which are likely to engage the attention of the Municipal Council during the coming year.

The most important, to my mind, is the drainage of the city; I am strongly in favor of immediate steps being taken to accomplish this, and will advocate and support the most efficient and economical scheme which may be submitted.

I am in favor of an equitable revision of the assessment roll.

I consider the electric light, as at present supplied, altogether inadequate, and will further any reform in this direction which may be considered necessary for the more efficient lighting of the city.

I will assist whatever well considered measure may be submitted, for the improvement of the water supply.

If elected, I shall always endeavor to promote the best interests of the city generally.

I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

R. P. RITHET.

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Taking effect from December 1st, Steamers will leave as follows, viz:—

EAST COAST ROUTE.

FROM VICTORIA FOR	MONDAY.	TUESDAY.	WED'SADY.	THURSDAY.	FRIDAY.	SATURD'Y
Nanaimo & Intermediate Pts	7 A. M.		7 A. M.		7 A. M.	
Comox			7 A. M.			

FRASER RIVER ROUTE.

FROM VICTORIA FOR	MONDAY.	TUESDAY.	WED'SDAY.	THURSDAY.	FRIDAY.	SATURD'Y
Ladner's Landing, New Westminster and Pt. Hammond		7 A. M.			7 A. M.	
Plumper Pass					7 A. M.	
Grant's, Moody's, Pt Moody					7 A. M.	

NOTE—Freight for Hope, Yale and Points in the Interior must be shipped via Port Hammond. Shippers are requested to mark weight on each package.

No freight will be received after 5 p. m. JNO. IRVING, Manager.

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AND

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ADVERTISEMENTS under this head, three insertions, 50 cents; six insertions, 75 cents.

WANTED—The public to know that Mrs. E. Barlow, the Fashionable Dressmaker, has removed to her new residence on Quadra street, between Johnson and Pandora streets, where she will be pleased to see all her former customers, of any other ladies who wish first-class work on short notice and at reasonable rates. dec16-6t

WANTED—Scissors to grind and Umbrellas to mend. Broughton street, near Government. Sign of Clock and Umbrella. dec13-6t ROBERT FOSTER.

WANTED—A single room furnished, with grate, within easy distance of THE TIMES Office. Address B. TIMES Office.

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WANTED—Tailoress and machine operator. Apply 37 Johnson St., opposite Saunder's grocery. dc2

WANTED—A servant girl for a small family. Apply at this office. no29

WANTED—Six good dress makers. Apply to MRS. M. ADAMS, corner of Douglas and View streets. no23

WANTED—Five hundred men daily, to buy their boots and shoes at the Queen Shoe House. no25tf

WANTED—The people to know that Neufelder & Ross keep the finest stock of fancy groceries for the holiday trade. no25-tf

WANTED—Five hundred new subscribers for the DAILY TIMES, which will be delivered at their residences for 25 cents per week.

WANTED—All the babies in town to have their photographs taken at Hall & Lowe's. no25 tf

WANTED—People to buy 1000 Rockford quick train watches, the best and most correct time watch manufactured, from G. W. A. Lange & Son. no25-tf

100 GIRLS WANTED—To know that THE TIMES is the best medium for making known their wants to the public. The cost is only 50 cents for three insertions or six insertions for 75 cents.

TRY IT—Try an advertisement under this heading if you require a situation. The rate is nominal—only 50 cents for three insertions.

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HAVING SECURED THE SERVICES OF A competent dressmaker, I am prepared to undertake all kinds of dressmaking, and engage to give satisfaction. MISS DUFFIS. near Bent & Gitnsulman's, corner Yates and Broad streets. dec8-tf

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Which have been selected with especial care and imported direct from the

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Finished in the Best Manner.

In order to be in a position to fill our regular orders, and cater for the new and Holiday trade, we have

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And made other extensive improvements, we therefore solicit your patronage and will

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Corner Douglas and Pandora Streets

The Daily Times.

PUBLISHED EVERY AFTERNOON EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Victoria, Tuesday, Dec. 16, 1884.

Arrival and Departure of Steamers.

FOR PORT TOWNSEND and all points on the Sound—O. R. & N. Co.'s steamers leave Victoria every morning, Sundays excepted, at 4 a. m., standard time, or 5:30 Victoria time, making close connection with the N. P. R. R. at Tacoma.

FOR SEATTLE, via Port Townsend—The Eliza Anderson leaves every Sunday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 2 a. m.

FOR NANAIMO—The Enterprise leaves Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 a. m., returning on the alternate days.

FOR NANAIMO—The Amelia sails every Monday, Wednesday and Friday Morning at 7 o'clock.

FOR BURRARD INLET—The Steam Schooner Grace leaves Turner & Co.'s wharf every Monday evening at 5 o'clock.

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER—The Yosemite leaves Tuesday and Friday at 7 a. m.

NEW WESTMINSTER ROUTE—Steamer Idaho will leave Tacoma every Sunday at noon, Seattle at midnight, Port Townsend at 8 a. m. Monday, arrive at New Westminster noon Tuesday.

Leave New Westminster 8 a. m. Wednesday, arrive at Tacoma Thursday p. m.

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER, PORT HAMMOND, CHILLIWHACK and way Ports—The steamer Fraser leaves Turner, Beeton & Co.'s wharf Sundays and Wednesdays at 8 a. m.

TO OUR MERCHANTS.

The Christmas holidays are approaching and if you intend to cater for the holiday trade advertise your holiday goods in THE TIMES. As a medium for reaching the great mass of PURCHASERS THE TIMES, owing to its large circulation is beyond question the best. Special rates will be made for Christmas advertising during the next ten days. Now is the time to advertise and take advantage of the THE TIMES circulation in doing so.

To Our City Subscribers.

We would respectfully request our city subscribers who fail to get their paper regularly, or who receive it unreasonably late, to notify the office promptly of the same. By complying with this request any irregularities in the delivery of the paper can be readily corrected.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

—A grand ball in connection with the fire company is proposed in Kamloops.

—Two car loads of bonded goods for Victoria arrived at Tacoma from the east on last night's train.

—The Cathedral school, Church Hill, will give a musical entertainment this evening.

—The burning of soot in a chimney on Bastion street caused a little alarm last evening.

—On Tuesday next the meeting to discuss the incorporation of Port Moody will be held at that place.

—The telegraph wires were down south of New Westminster to-day. A flake of snow probably fell on them.

—A writer in the Sentinel complains of the hideous noise made by the Celestials in their gambling houses in Kamloops.

—The annual Sabbath school tea-meeting of the First Presbyterian Church will be held in the school room of that church to-night.

—The Langrishe company will open in Philharmonic Hall Friday evening next. The troupe is a good one and will undoubtedly draw large houses.

—The post office employees are beginning to feel the effects of Christmas. A large number of cards and presents to eastern friends are being mailed.

—Hudson Bay sold at £25½ in London on the 6th inst. Candian Pacific sold at 45 in New York on same date, only 200 shares changing hands.

—The steamship Euphrates is at present taking on a cargo of rails at Newport, Wales, for the Island railway. She is expected to sail for Victoria shortly.

—The public always know that there is energy, life and prosperity in any community where the merchants are not ashamed to advertise their goods, wares and merchandise.

—Dr. W. M. Brett, Golden City, B. C., assistant of Dr. Orton in his contract for medical attendance on construction, died suddenly a short time ago. The body was conveyed to Winnipeg.

—The site of the new theatre is being cleared as rapidly as possible. Another building has been moved off the block and will be taken away. There are several small ones yet to be removed.

—The Seattle Chronicle says that the Puget sound Industrial World, a publication to be devoted to the industrial interests of the sound, will make its first appearance about January 1st.

—A public meeting will be held at Harmony Hall on Thursday evening next, for the purpose of making known the aims and objects of the Knights of Labor in relation to the labor question.

—The following passengers arrived to-day on the North Pacific from the Sound: T Healey, J Pottinger, Mrs Lind, Mrs Carson, E Carnmidge, J J Gilbert, E T Gilbert, Rev J C Baker, A C Hastings and H Smith.

—Travel to and from the Mainland continues pretty brisk, as also on the Nanaimo boats. The Sound boats and the San Francisco steamships, however, have not been very well patronized the past few weeks.

—The new boiler for the steamship Wilmington was placed in that vessel at San Francisco last Tuesday, and she is expected to sail for Victoria the latter part of this week. She has been completely overhauled.

—The ship Melrose, which has been detained for some days by an unruly crew, was to have gone to sea to-day. The captain stated last evening that he had procured a new crew and would start this morning for Honolulu.

—The North Pacific to-day brought freight for the following consignees:—W Richards, J B Ferguson, Standard Oil Co, C Strouss & Co, J Sehl, G H Salmon, Baker & Fullerton, W Jordon, E G Prior, A Strachan, Belmont Boot and Shoe Co, G W Abbott, A Gregg & Son, G Vienna and J Parker.

No Meeting.

A few citizens gathered at the door of the Police Court room last evening to attend the meeting announced to take place, but owing to the Sheriff's decision to keep the door locked, the little group soon dispersed.

Canadian Scenes

In Xmas Cards, with winter scenes in silver sheen. You can't get anything prettier to send the friends at home. J. B. Ferguson & Co.

Hamilton Powder Co.

It is stated that the Hamilton Powder Co. will erect a set of works in Victoria for the manufacture of all kinds of explosives. Probably $150,000 will be expended.

Annuals at Ferguson's.

Another Candidate.

It is stated that Mayor Carey will be a candidate for re-election at the coming municipal election.

For Pianos and Organs go to Waitt & Co's.

If you want a good overcoat go to W. & J. Wilson's.

COLUMBIA CROSSING, B. C.

This place is now the end of the track, and is quite a busy little town; not so little either, as it is about the largest that has been built so far, a number of good log buildings, but as the bridge is nearly completed across the river, those who have built here will be left in the cold, as it is likely the track will be pushed on fourteen or fifteen miles further to the Beaver.

Towns on this side of the Rockies are not so quiet and peaceable as they were on the other side, as whisky is sold in unlimited quantities, and that right under the nose of the police, who seem powerless to prevent it.

The weather so far has been very mild—in fact the lowest the thermometer has been so far was eight above zero, and that only for a few hours. We are only getting our first snow now. Voyageurs have been rafting freight down the river till the commencement of this week, but as it froze a little this week all that is stopped.

There has been a great deal of dissatisfaction this summer among workmen on account of the bad way they have been paid. During the whole season their wages have been kept back two or three months. The usual hardships associated with railroading in a new country have been increased by the tyranny of grasping officials. The treatment of the men has been worse than brutal.

An attempt was made a few days ago to close the tote road by felling trees across it, but the mounted police interfered and it was re-opened so that people are now able to move their goods from one point to another by packing, which they do in preference to paying the exorbitant rates ($700 to $900 per car) charged by the construction company from Laggan to this place.

There have been quite a number of good looking and I think good paying quartz leads struck in the Selkirks lately, and there is a fine opening here for speculators with plenty of money, there is also a good opening for a good assayer.

Will not Lease the O. R. & N.

Mr. Jorgenson, register of the U. S. land office at Walla Walla, W.T., who has just returned from the east, states that there is no longer any doubt that the proposition for the lease of the O.R. & N. to the Northern Pacific is about abandoned, and that the North Pacific will make a very determined effect to secure the transportation of grain eastward from Walla Walla and that vicinity of Washington Territory. In order to accomplish this they will have to build a branch line from Ainsworth to Walla Walla. With a little help from the citizens of that section, the Northern Pacific will undoubtedly build the road within a year or two. It will also have to duplicate the O. R. & N. lines east and south of Walla Walla. Mr. Jorgenson says he was informed by one of the leading officials of the Northern Pacific that they could carry grain to Duluth or Superior city for $8 per ton and that a proposition has been made to them by leading grain dealers in Montreal to carry wheat from either of those points to Liverpool or London for from $5 to $6 per ton. The N. P. railroad is too poor to lease the O. R. & N. railroad lines, and there are several of the leading stockholders who have never been in favor of the proposition. Neither do they see how the earnings of the O. R. & N. would justify them in paying the large rental demanded of them.

Wants the Canadian Line.

The settlers in the Northern part of Washington Territory are beginning to look toward the Canadian Pacific as a means of outlet to market. The Whatcom Reveille thus sums up the situation: "The brightest hopes of Whatcom county with reference to railroad connection with the far east are in the direction of the early completion of the Canadian Pacific and its connection with Bellingham Bay through our local railroad, already under way. The Northern Pacific, we fear, will not be built to this city for five years, because of financial stringency in the money markets; and the same depression will probably prevent the floating of bonds to build the line projected by Senator Canfield. It will certainly be built, but we fear not for the present. Railroads in the United States are suffering on account of hard times. While a bitter fight has been made against the Northern Pacific, the Canadian government has lavished millions of dollars upon the Canadian Pacific, and much as we regret to admit it, we must look to the Canadian railroad for an outlet to market. Again, water navigation via the Sound will naturally defer the building of the railroad from Bellingham Bay to Seattle. The distance from St. Paul to Whatcom, via the Northern Pacific is about 1960 miles; by the Canadian Pacific, 1885—quite a difference. It seems entirely probable, under the circumstances, that the completion of the Canadian Pacific and its connections will give Whatcom a boom at an early date."

Rough on Seattle Men.

The married men of Seattle, Washington Territory, says the San Francisco Post, cannot now stay out late at night, come home fuddled and indulge in the luxury of beating their wives. Woman suffrage and eligibility to office has cured all that. The other day an intoxicated citizen of that place forgot the new state of affairs. The result was he was hauled up before a female Justice of the Peace and fined $300, with the alternative of 300 days in jail, for wife beating. He was told that it was the full extent of the authority of the Justice, but if it had been permissible he would have had a more severe sentence.

Will Take a Rest.

Captain Tibballs' may friends will regret to learn that owing to his recent injuries received upon the railroad, in connection with general indisposition, he has been compelled to leave his post as pilot upon the ocean steamers, temporarily. Captain J. B. Libby, who for the past twelve years has been master of the steamer Goliah, running upon the Sound, will take Captain Tibballs' place in his absence.

Remember

Ferguson's is headquarters for Xmas and Holiday Goods.

A Sure Sign.

"The oldest inhabitant says this is to be a mild winter for the reason that the hair on the north side of his horse is not so long by an eighth of an inch as it was at this time last fall."—Port Townsend Argus. Don't know anything about the length of hair on Port Townsend horses, but if that sign is any criterion, the hair on the above-named useful quadruped residing in Victoria is anything but short at this writing.

Illustrated books for the holidays, Waitt & Co's

From Seattle.

The Eliza Anderson arrived at noon to-day bringing the following passengers from Seattle and Port Townsend: James Stevens, John Albright, John Hart, Miss M Sprague, C P Sichel, Mrs J Mager and son, A Mitchell, A E Gregg, J D Thompson, J J O'Shaughnessy, E Robson, Frank McDonald, George Miller, J A Barton, Lon Mahaffay, A G Sutherland, Jas Winn, John Leal, W J Kidd, A C Allison, J Donovan, J S Merrigan, E Fagustram and two Indians.

You can get the best value in overcoats at W. & J. Wilson's.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

(THE TIMES wishes it to be distinctly understood that it is in no way responsible for, and does not necessarily agree with its correspondents.)

The Temperance Workers.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—It is a matter for thanksgiving to all interested in the welfare of the temperance cause, that the Scott Act is meeting with such great success in the Eastern provinces of this Dominion. The friends of the cause in this province should feel very much encouraged, from the fact that in many counties where the idea of carrying the act was ridiculed a few years ago, substantial majorities in its favor have lately attested to the great and growing change in public opinion. The temperance people in the province, and especially in the city of Victoria, would do well to consider, whether or not the present system of carrying on the work is the best that can be adopted. About a year ago the meetings of the Blue Ribbon Club were well attended, enthusiastic, and interesting. Now the cause seems to be divided into three societies, which seem to have very little sympathy with one another. At the last meeting of the W. C. T. U. the hall was about one-third filled; at that of the Y.W. C. T. U., I am informed, that about the same number were present. At the Saturday night meeting of the Blue Ribbon Club there was a fair attendance, the great majority of those present being young men. Owing to the formation of the ladies' societies and the elimination of their members from the ranks of the Blue Ribbon Club, the exercises at the latter's meetings fall to the lot of three or four gentlemen, who, although they do everything they can, are unable to entertain those who have been in the habit of attending. The choir has been entirely broken up, as the ladies who formerly sang have become members of the other societies. By such means the Blue Ribbon Club, the pioneer organization, is liable to become a dead letter. The members of the different temperance bodies would do well to meet in consultation and devise some means of concerted action for aggressive work and not be satisfied with the holding of regular meeting, stereotyped speeches, coffee drinking, etc.

Another phase of the subject will be touched on in a future communication.

A WELL WISHER.

What Railways Do.

As indicative of what railway connection may do for some places in British Columbia, notably the terminal city and Victoria, we direct attention to the progress of Owen Sound, Ont., says the Times of that place: "While the wonderful progress Owen Sound has been making in the building line has been apparent to all visitors, perhaps no other portion of the town has presented such striking evidence of increased trade and prosperity as has been exhibited along our docks this season. He does not need to be a very old inhabitant who can remember when the shipping of our port consisted of the steamer Frances Smith, making her daily trip to Collingwood and back, giving us communication with the outer world via the Northern Railway, and a small schooner or two carrying lumber or salt; and if a strange steamer called at our port it was an event which brought the citizens flocking down to the river to see her. Our commerce for some years past has been increasing, and it received a great impetus when our railway the past year passed into the hands of the C. P. R., thus making our port the Ontario Lake terminus of the great Canadian highway. This season the arrival of the magnificent fleet of steel steamers of the C. P. R. to make our port their headquarters has given our shipping trade another great lift, and added greatly to the importance of our harbor. During the whole season the scene along our docks has been one of bustle and activity unequalled by any other port on Georgian Bay or Lake Huron—it being no unusual sight to see six or seven steamers loading at our docks at once, besides sailing vessels loading and unloading. Besides the Algoma, Athabasca and Alberta, which admittedly have no equals on our inland waters, we have during the season had the magnificent iron steamer Campana, which till the arrival of the C. P. R. boats was the finest steamer on the lakes, regularly sailing from our port. The Frances Smith and City of Owen Sound, of the Canada Transit Company, and the Africa, Spartan and Magnet, of the Owen Sound steamship line, have also been engaged in the trade between here and Lake Superior ports; while the Pacific and Atlantic, of the Great Northern Transit Company, have also regularly traded with this port. In addition to these, a numerous fleet of other steamers and sailing vessels have done business with our port, adding to the life and activity around our docks. Those who have not been paying attention to the subject may be surprised to learn the dimensions to which our lake trade has grown, but an idea may be gathered from the fact that no less than 53 steamers and 25 sailing vessels, or an aggregate fleet of 78, have done business with our port this season, most of them regularly trading here. From one vessel several years ago, to 78 at the present time, is a pretty good indication of what a railway can do for a lake port town. The effect on an ocean terminus will be equally marked."

Will Push the Cascade Branch Through.

The Northern Pacific will build the Cascade branch within the next year—certainly within the next eighteen months, using a "switch back" over the Cascade Mountains until the tunnel is completed on a route which will give them a grade of not over 116 feet to the mile. "The directors of the company, says the Tacoma News, are as enthusiastic about this work as the people of this country could desire them to be and they have no trouble in securing money to prosecute it." Should this be accomplished, that road will then have its line to tide-water. The Canadian Pacific will be finished and in good running order by that time, when the two great northern transcontinental routes will have a chance to show the public what they are capable of doing in the way of developing their respective countries.

Christmas

is coming and we are ready for it with a magnificent stock of Xmas Cards and Holiday goods.

J. B. Ferguson & Co.

Cheap Traveling.

The Northern Pacific Company has made a further reduction in its New Orleans excursion rates. It began at $174 from Portland, next reduced to $170, and has finally came down to $162.75. This is about two cents a mile for the round trip. The public can hardly expect cheaper rates than this over a first-class line like the Northern Pacific, and it should be appreciated. This is a good chance for British Columbians to visit the exposition at New Orleans, at a very small cost.

Lumber for Panama.

About 800,000 feet of lumber have been sent this year from the Columbia river to the Isthmus of Panama.

Photo Albums, Scrap Albums, at Waitt & Co's.

The cheapest and largest stock of overcoats is at W. & J. Wilson's.

NEWS NOTES.

The statute of the late Sir George E. Cartier, the only deceased statesman ever honored by the government with such a post-mortem honor, was placed on its pedestal at the capital last week.

General Diaz, the new President of Mexico, has been inaugurated. One of his first duties will be to secure the passage through the legislature the bill refunding the English debt. The debt is $70,000,000, and so low is the credit of Mexico that it will cost $13,000,000 to float it.

The vote of the Electoral College of North Carolina was cast on Wednesday, by means of ballots made of silk grown in the State and woven into the form of a United States flag. This was a neat way of indicating the progress which the State is making in industrial affairs.

It is reported that the council of the Cherokee nation in the Indian Territory has passed a bill excluding all white men, preachers, laborers and teachers, without respect to age or previous condition, from the nation.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. Louis Redon, the well-known host of the Driard House, Victoria, is in the city en route for the east. He will visit Boston, New York and other cities, and then spend some time with relatives at St. Louis, after which he will attend the exposition at New Orleans.—Oregonian.

Mr. James Pottinger, for two years past an employee of the Portland Oregonian, arrived on the North Pacific to-day. Victoria was his former home and he has concluded to reside here again.

Capt. Gilbert, who is at the head of one of the U. S. coast survey party, arrived on the North Pacific to-day, having come over on a visit.

Court of Revision and Appeal.

(Before S. P. Mills, Esq., Barrister.)

A number of appeals were heard and disposed of this morning.

Judgment was given in the matter of the estate of Sir James Douglas and others cases, deciding that the income from real estate within the city and without it, could be assessed as income.

The court adjourned till 11 o'clock a. m. on Monday next.

Discreditable.

We quite agree with a morning contemporary that the spectacle presented at the city hall last evening when the sheriff, who has the building and its contents under seizure for a paltry debt, that the Council stupidly declines to liquidate, refused its use for the public meeting advertised to be held there, is humiliating to the people. It is besides discreditable to the Council. Unless there is a valid pretext longer to defer payment of an indebtedness adjudged by the courts to be lawfully due, there can be no excuse for this unfortunate position of affairs. Victorians pay their debts individually, and they expect their councilors to manage their public business in precisely the same way that they would their own private affairs.

Will Sell the City Out.

High Sheriff McMillan, in an advertisement elsewhere in this issue, calls attention to the fact that on Friday next, he will sell at public auction the contents of the City Hall. This is done to satisfy a claim of Messrs. Drake & Jackson, amounting to $707.10, together with interest. Among the articles to be disposed of are, the city seal, and all the benches, chairs, tables, etc. now in the City Hall. The Mayor is not included in the articles to be sold. Hereafter when the City Council meets each member will have to carry a chair along with him, or be compelled to stand during the session.

Threatened an Editor's Life.

In Tacoma the other day, F. S. Alling was brought before the court on a complaint of Mr. R. F. Radebaugh, editor and proprietor of the Tacoma Ledger, who charged Alling with threatening his life. The defendant was placed under $1000 bonds for his appearance. The News of that city says that it took Mr. Alling but ten minutes to secure bondsmen, as heavy business men freely volunteered and he could have obtained $10,000 as easily as $1000.

$246 to the Acre.

Mr. Meeker, the hop king of Washington Territory, estimates that 9472 bales of the hop crop of the Puyallup valley have been shipped, and that about 1100 bales remain in the valley—a total of 10,572 bales, or 1,974,960 pounds net. At an average price of 15 cents per pound, the crop grown on about 1200 acres will bring $296,244, averaging about $246 to the acre.

Winnipeg Mayor.

Mr. Hamilton, the citizens' candidate, has been elected mayor of Winnipeg by a majority of 467 over Mr. Conklin. A policy of retrenchment and reform will now be inaugurated and a determined effort will be made to raise the prairie city from the slough of financial despondency into which she has been plunged by criminally reckless and unscrupulously dishonest body of aldermen.

The Commission Farce.

The Globe's Ottawa correspondent says: "Even the active wire-pullers of the Conservative party here are disgusted with the Chinese Commission farce, by which thousands of dollars of public money are being wasted at a time of general depression. The "Commissioners" go through the farce of holding meetings daily, though Mr. Chapleau is generally absent.

More Coal Harbor News.

Now that the terminus question is settled and active operations will begin at once, Rand & Lipsett, Real Estate Brokers, Government street, Victoria, are prepared to sell property in localities where immense profits will undoubtedly be realized. Property may be purchased by the acre, block or lot.

Coal Harbor Property.

Having sub-divided my
COAL HARBOR PROPERTY,
I am prepared to sell lots at from $25 upwards.
LAND ALSO BY THE ACRE.
Apply to
HENRY V. EDMONDS,
At ALLSOP & MASONS,
Government street,
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Choice Stock.

The choicest and most extensive stock in Watches, Parisian Clocks, Diamond goods, Gold and Silver Jewelry and Electroplated ware has just been opened by us for the holidays. They will be sold low. We extend a cordial invitation to the public to inspect these really beautiful goods which are beyond praise.

G. W. A. LANGE & SON.

Bibles, Prayer

And Hymn Books, in beautiful covers, at Ferguson's.

Overcoats! Overcoats! Overcoats! at W. J. Wilson's, Government St.

TELEGRAPHIC.

American Dispatches.

Suspension of Business.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 15.—The Edgar Thomson steel works, at Braddock's, suspended work to-day, owing to lack of orders and great depression in the nail business. About 1600 employees are directly affected by the suspension, but indirectly between 3000 and 4000 will suffer. The monthly pay roll amounts to $150,000.

Bayard as Secretary.

ALBANY, Dec. 15.—When Senator Bayard came to Albany and paid his respects to President-elect Cleveland, it is understood that he left for home with the assurance that he could make choice of any position in the Cabinet and he would receive the appointment. It is said, on good authority that after having duly deliberated over the matter, the Delaware Senator sent a note to the Governor, which was received yesterday, indicating his preference for the portfolio of secretary of the treasury. It is rumored that he will accordingly be appointed.

Big Wheat Movement.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 14.—Alexander Mitchell, the grain merchant at Montreal, who is agent of the $4,000,000 syndicate, says that shipments of wheat will begin in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories immediately under the new arrangement. At Brandon the farmers' elevator is kept busy receiving wheat. The plan of the syndicate is as follows: The $4,000,000 is a loan advanced by the Bank of Montreal to a syndicate working in harmony with the Canadian Pacific Railway. The loan is for six months at 5 per cent, and the bank will advance on the actual cost of the wheat at Winnipeg, minus all the freight charges, which will leave a margin of 9 to 12 cents a bushel for the security of the bank. There is a surplus of 6,000,000 bushels of wheat in the northwest, all of which, it is claimed, will reach Montreal on its way to Europe next year.

"Working" a Passenger Train.

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 14.—A passenger train on the Little Rock, Mississippi River, and Texas railway coming this way to-night near Little Rock was stopped by five marked robbers, who took complete possession of the train, and went through all the passengers. The conductor and express messenger were in the baggage car. The robbers opened fire as they went toward the engine, and both men were covered by revolvers. About seventy-five passengers were in the car, and great excitement followed. All were ordered to hold up their hands, and the robbers went to work. They broke open the express safe and secured $2000, besides obtaining from the passengers in watches, jewelry, and money $4000 more. No indignities were offered the passengers, and when they had finished the robbers disappeared, after enforcing a promise from the passengers not to leave the train for ten minutes. A posse headed by detectives is in pursuit. The train has arrived at Little Rock.

Tracked by Bloodhounds.

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 14.—Great excitement prevailed to-day on account of the train robbery last night. Bloodhounds were put on the trail this morning, and followed it straight into this city. Jos. Cook, J. C. Jones, John Clifford, Charles Campbell, and a boy named Parker have been arrested. Three of these have been identified as among the robbers. The State offers $1000 and the railroad company a like sum for the capture of the gang.

A Murderous Villain.

GREENVILLE, Tex., Dec. 15.—Samuel Easell, who eloped with a negress, called on his wife last night and pleaded to be taken back. Mrs. Easell refused to recognize her husband, whereupon he called a six-year-old daughter to his side, shot the child in the head, killing her, and then blew his own brains out.

Pacific Coast Freights.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The Commissioner of the Chicago Freight Bureau has sent a letter to Chicago merchants announcing the proposed reduction of rates from Chicago to the Pacific coast to be 15 per cent. less than the present rate from New York. With such a basis established, it is claimed that Chicago will be able to compete with eastern merchants, who have heretofore had an advantage over this city.

British Dispatches.

Still Unknown.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—No clue to the perpetrators of the bridge outrage has been found.

Foreign Dispatches.

The Government Book.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—The White Book, just issued, contains a dispatch from the German Consul at Canton, referring to the impending railroad activity in China, which the Consul says will promote trade and benefit the subsidized steamship service.

Rumored Barbarities.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Hova's news agency publishes a letter from a private soldier stating that General Negrier, after defeating 10,000 regulars, handed over 200 prisoners to the best French riflemen for targets in ball practice, and that all of them were killed. The newspapers demand a prompt and categoric denial of the statement.

Canadian Dispatches.

Further Details.

QUEBEC, Dec. 14.—Dr. Bryce, who was sent to the plague-stricken district of Hungerford, to report as to the best means to prevent the spreading of the small-pox in the township, has returned, and describes the condition of affairs is most deplorable. Outside of the village of Stoce he found forty cases, their condition being pitiable in the extreme. Whole families were prostrated with the disease, and no one to act as nurses. Many were living in houses consisting of only one room—dirty, unwholesome. In one instance eight persons were lying sick in one room, two being infants. Other districts were passed through in which the disease had prevailed, and nearly all had died. In the village of Stoce there was scarcely a house in which the disease was not present.

School Examination.

The half yearly examinations of the public schools will be held on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. Johnson street ward school will be examined on Wednesday forenoon, and James Bay ward school in the afternoon. The high school and the boys and girls' departments of the central will be examined on Thursday.

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As an element of agitation the Tichborne claimant is a confessed failure. He fails to attract the attention of the only people who could be of any use to him in asserting his claim. Before his imprisonment he had a host of believers; but it is hard to revive faith in a ticket-of-leave man who has undergone a lengthy term of imprisonment. He still draws as a curiosity, and has accepted his position, and is filling his list, like a variety actor, for appearances at different theaters. He has just completed an engagement for one week, for which he received £200, in an Edinburgh music hall.

Delighted!

The large number of people who have visited the establishment of Messrs. T. N. Hibben & Co., during the past few days, have been delighted with the immense and varied stock of Christmas and holiday goods which have been and are being placed on exhibition by that firm. At their establishment is to be found an endless variety of everything that is suitable for Christmas and New Year's presents, consisting of fancy articles, card receivers, ink-stands, stereoscopic views, children's books, standard authors and poets, and, in fact, everything which can be found in a well selected and first-class stock of fancy goods. Call and examine the stock. You are sure to find what you want.

Coal Harbor.

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Plush Mirrors and Frames at Waitt & Co.'s.

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The fashionable all wool plaids, with plain material to match, have arrived by the last steamer, at the

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DEATHS.

CAMPBELL.—On Monday, at 10 o'clock, at the residence, Pandora street, Michael Campbell, of the firm of Boucherat & Campbell, a native of Athas, Canton of Dacours, France, aged 35 years and 11 months.

The funeral will leave the residence on Pandora street at 10 o'clock, and from the Catholic Church, View street, at 10:30 a. m., on Wednesday, 17th.

"Land Registry Ordinance 1870."

VICTORIA CITY LOT, NO. 275.

WHEREAS, THE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE of Anna Nicholles to the above mentioned Lot, bearing date the 9th day of April 1872, has been destroyed or lost, and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate. Notice is therefore hereby given that such duplicate will be issued, unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing, within one month from the date hereof.

CHAS. JAS. LEGGATT,
Acting Registrar General.
Land Registry Office, 30th November, 1884.
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Liquor License Acts, 1883 and 1884.

The following persons have applied for a license to sell spirituous and malt liquors under the acts as above recited. Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners for the Victoria District will meet at their office on Fort street, Victoria, Monday, December 29th, inst., at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of considering the said applications in accordance with said acts:

Astrice, Mrs A, store street, hotel license. Allen N, Boston street, saloon license. Abbott A Basil & Co, Yates street, shop license. Bechtel M, Johnson street, hotel license. Begg John, Johnson street, hotel license. Bland Jas, Esquimalt Road, saloon license. Beal G, Store street, wholesale license. Boucherat & Camsuse, Yates street, wholesale license. Burnes Thos, Yates street, hotel license. Bechtel A J, Johnson street, hotel license. Borthwick R, Yates street, saloon license. Bartlett John, Wharf street, saloon license. Briggs & Bray, Yates street, hotel license. Bryant John, Yates street, shop license. Blackall, Yates street, saloon license. Calvert Mrs A, Gold Stream Road, hotel license. Corner A C, Government street, saloon license. Collins Geo, store street, saloon license. Carr Richd, wharf street, wholesale license. Cleveje H A, Douglas street, hotel license. Bertin Chas, Johnson street, saloon license. Daley Jas, Story street, saloon license. Dillon B F, Government street, hotel license. Dillon Chas, Johnson street, shop license. Dunn John, Esquimalt Road, saloon license. Everett Patrick, Esquimalt Road, saloon license. Ellis D M, corner Johnson and Store streets, hotel license. Ellett W A, Cadboro road, hotel license. Evans Sam, near Beacon Hill, hotel license. Fell Jas, Fort street, shop license. Fairbrother Geo, Cedar Hill Road, saloon license. Irwin Thos, Yates street, saloon license. Finley, Durham & Bridge, Wharf street, wholesale license. Ferguson Geo, near Rock Bay Bridge, saloon license. George A, Gold Stream road, hotel license. Hanley Henry, Clover Point, hotel license. Holman & Perry, Johnson street, saloon license. Harrison Wm, corner Douglas and Fandora street, saloon license. Herbert John I, Esquimalt, hotel license. Jones Stephen, Esquimalt, hotel license. Jackson James, Government street, saloon license. Johnson & Tyrwhitt, corner Douglas and Cormorant street, hotel license. King Jas A, Wharf street, saloon license. Lohr Wm, corner Yates and Langley streets, saloon license. Langford J, corner Government and Humboldt streets, saloon license. McDonald Alex, corner Government and Courtney streets, hotel license. McCombie Jas, Fort street, saloon license. McNiff Wm, Trounce Alley, saloon license. Marshall Hugh, near the Gorge, saloon license. McAlpine, Chas, Johnson street, hotel license. Meidram, J. H., Esquimalt Road, hotel license. Murphy & Brown, corner Yates and Government streets, saloon license. Nickson Wm, corner Yates and Cormorant streets, hotel license. Merryfield & Berryman, Fort street, hotel license. Nicholson Thos, corner Johnson and Broad streets, shop license. Northrop E. C. Government street, shop license. Phillips C J, corner Broad and Johnson streets, hotel license. Pitcher James, corner Wharf and Johnson streets, hotel license. Penny Dan, Esquimalt Road, saloon license. Price H, Parsons Bridge, hotel license. Pettingill R, Government street, saloon license. Rithet & Co, corner Douglas and Fort streets, hotel license. Rowland M, Burnside road, hotel license. Reid Wm, corner Humboldt and Menzies streets, saloon license. Robinson & Hartnagle, View street, hotel license. Sanders Sy, Johnson street, shop license. Steamer Amelia, Port of Victoria, street license. Sehl Frank, Government street, saloon license. Selleck Wm, Esquimalt, hotel license. Savage H W, Johnson street, saloon license. Stevens and Co, Government street, saloon license. Smallfield R, corner Government and Johnson street, saloon license. Thomson Geo, Fort street, saloon license. Turner Wm, corner Yates and Douglas streets, hotel license. Turner Beeton & Co, Wharf street, wholesale license. Hudson Bay Company, Wharf street, wholesale license. Wolfenden Jos, corner Yates and Blanchard, shop license. Copperthwaite Bros, wholesale license. Welch, Rithet & Co., Wharf street, wholesale license. Peters Steele, Bastion street, saloon license. Stolz & Co, Wharf street, wholesale license.

The Daily Times.

Victoria, Tuesday, Dec. 16, 1884.

A FISHER OF FISH.

Brosson Howard's Love of Piscatorial Pleasure and Otium Cum Dig.

[Luke Sharp, in Detroit Free Press.]

Brosson Howard, the dramatist, is one of the most enthusiastic and insatiable fishers I ever met. The hardships that this genial author will encounter in his passion for fishing would hardly be credited by those who know his love of real solid comfort in general. He will get up so early as nine o'clock—all preparations having been made the night before—and the dewy and skylarky hour of eleven finds him at Paddington Station waiting for a train to his favorite haunt on the Thames. As it is past noon when he gets there he generally has a nice lunch at the quaint old Riverside Inn, and by two o'clock he is ready for the toils and fatigues of the day. He hires a man with a great flat-bottomed punt. This punt is poled—by the man—up to the wier. This is Howard's favorite spot. The water comes tumbling over the wier in a white foamy wall, and its gentle rythm is soothing to the London nerves of the playwriter. Probably it sounds like a far-off echo of the Niagara of his native land. There is something particularly soothing in the music of a Thames wier. Mr. Howard seats himself in a comfortable arm-chair that the punt-man provides, and the craft is anchored in the stream. He spreads out an umbrella and takes his book. Much of the piscatorial pleasure depends on the judicious choice of a good book. The man joints the rods, baits the hook and hands the pole to Mr. Howard. After awhile the man ventures to interrupt the reader by saying:

"You have had three or four bites, Mr. Howard."

"Ah! I hadn't noticed it. Would you mind pulling the fish out if it is still there? Thanks."

Then the man baits the hook, throws it in and gives Mr. Howard the rod. Finally, as the book becomes more interesting and the exertion more trying, the wearied dramatist asks his man to kindly hold the pole for him, and after that the fishing goes on famously. As the afternoon wears on Mr. Howard asks:

"How many have I caught, Binks?"

"Seventeen, sir."

"How many did I catch last Wednesday—do you remember, Binks?"

"You caught nine, sir."

"Ah, I thought I was feeling rather more fatigued than I did last week."

Now this seems to me the very essence of sport.

WITH A CRUMPLED HORN.

Skillful Detection of an Omnivorous Thief by Means of a Catfish Line.

[Concordia (La.) Eagle.]

For some time past the mysterious stripping of clothes lines has been a matter of neighborhood gossip in the southern section of the metropolis of Vidalia, where all attempts to discover the eccentric purloiner of unroned linen and calico had, up to the day before yesterday, concluded in miserable failure. In one place, it seems, a line had been cleaned of everything save the breast-bone of a button-back shirt and the machine-stitched button-holes of a calico polonaise. In another, one ravelled-edge wristband of a gent's shirt, the dormer window of a peek-a-boo and the outlines of a Mother Hubbard were all that remained of their linen to a large family of growing boys, while in still another the splinters of a clothes-peg and an unpaid wash bill were the trifles paid by the depredator to remind the family that due preparations had been made for starching and ironing. The wretched thief has been caught at last, however, and this is how it was done. After concluding family prayers the other night, Mr. A. J. Chaze, seating himself at his back window to catch a breath of air, fell into a reverie. Presently he was startled by the mysterious unwinding of a catfish line from a reel, which had dropped from the window-sill to the floor, leaving several yards of the line stretching over the window-sill. Seizing the cord, Mr. C. took a long pull and a strong pull, and when several yards were recovered, was astonished to find that it terminated in the mouth of an old cow. Bound to have all of that cat-fish line or a venerable beef, he now gave a desperate tug, and—well, when he finally gathered himself in fragments from the place where he had "drapped," his examination of the tangled mass upon the hook developed two undershirts, a pair of striped stockings, a white duck vest and an assortment of police jurors' commissions. It was a late meal, and not yet digested. The owners of these articles may recover them by proving property. It was a brindle cow with crumpled horns and a stolid expression of indifference.

Jay Gould's Enjoyments.

[N. Y. Letter.]

I sometimes think that Jay Gould gets about as much reasonable enjoyment out of his money as any of the bloated bondholders that I know of. A city house which is a perfect library, a country seat which is a complete and blooming conservatory, and for communication between them a steam yacht which makes Cleopatra's barge, as described, appear by comparison a greasy 'longsboreman's lighter—these are the things Gould buys. I might add that he has recently built a special vault in the Safe Deposit Company's building to keep his bonds securely in, and an extensive mausoleum in Westchester County as big as an ordinary country church to keep his body safely in. But I did not mean that Gould finds enjoyment most in these possessions. I rather thought he enjoyed himself most under circumstances under which I saw him the other day in Wall street. He was accompanied by his eldest son George, a grown young man, who, by the way, is now largely trusted by his father in the execution of his speculations, and by his youngest boy, a child of eight years or so. Of course the group attracted great attention—particularly the child—as they sauntered slowly along the street. The child was a very handsome little fellow, with a rich olive complexion, evidently born of exposure to health-giving sunshine and air. His eyes were of a flashing black hue which betrayed his not remote semitic origin. His features were otherwise of an animated and intelligent expression, and he made many inquiries of his father and brother as to various objects of interest along their pathway. These the father or brother answered with evident amusement at the boy's eagerness. I guess that boy affords his father more pleasure just now than—well, for want of a better comparison, than the men who have been consolidating telegraphic lines in opposition to Western Union.

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[Texas Siftings.]

An Austin youth whose income is not quite as extensive as that of Vanderbilt's got a large ink spot on his coat. He asked a friend how the stain could be removed.

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